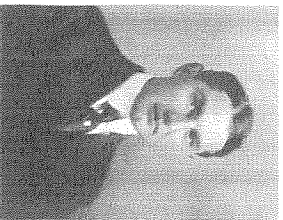


HOPE SCHOOL

HISTORY

Hope school is a former community school, which is located on Hope Station Road, near St. Paul A.M.E. Church in Newberry County, in Pomaria, South Carolina. The school was used to serve the black children of this rural area from 1926-1954.



James Haskell Hope

Hope School was built in 1925-1926, at a construction cost of \$2,900. The school was built on two acres of land and is named after Mr. Bud Hope, who donated the land for the school.

Hope School is one of South Carolina's remaining Julius Rosenwald Schools. The school was built with matching Funds from the Julius Rosenwald Fund, created by the President of Sears and Roebuck, & Company to help improve the education of African Americans.

Mrs. Gertrude Brown, Ms. Alberta Reeder and Mrs. Annie Martin, who were teachers at Hope School, *still live* in the Newberry area. Another teacher who taught at the school was Mrs. Mamie Moore.

During a typical school year of the two teachers working, one teacher would be responsible for first, second and third grades and the other teacher would be responsible for grades four, five and six.

Hope School was registered with the Secretary of State on April 20, 2005 as a non-profit organization, and registered as *The Hope School Community Center, Inc.*

The Hope School Committee has applied to be put on the National Register. Ms. Lesley D. Drucker, Principal of AF Consultants, is conducting research and background history of the school.

The Hope School Committee and Alumni have great interest in the preservation and restoration of this *History*.

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to supply the needs of our community, by administering programs that will have a positive impact on the quality of life for community residents.

OUR VISION AND GOALS

Our goals, in compliance with completing the restoration of The Hope School Community Center, are to maintain an adult activity center, provide meals on wheels, a summer lunch program, house calls, a computer lab, a children's alcohol and abuse counselor, and health screening.

ADULT ACTIVITY CENTER (Geriatric)

Have activities for the elderly from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

MEALS ON WHEELS

To provide meals to the elderly in the community.

SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

Supply lunch for the children in the community who are out of school on Summer break.

HOUSE CALLS

Men and Women that will go out and weatherize homes and build ramps for the elderly and less fortunate.

COMPUTER LAB

To assist those that are computer illiterate.

ALCOHOL AND ABUSE COUNSELOR

A program that will mentor the young people to "Just Say No" to drugs and alcohol.

HEALTH SCREENING

To provide vital screening for men and women in the community.

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We welcome all letters of recommendation or items that you would like to donate.

Tenetha Hall, Project Chairperson